(a) Yes, Sir. There is a proposal to develop Export Intensive Areas Sub-Plan Scheme for drawing-up short term plans of assistance to upgrade infrastructural facilities.

(b) The Export Intensive Areas Sub-Plan Scheme proposal envisages measures to remove bottlenecks in the export effort in important export production centres depending on the requirement of the Centre concerned. It is proposed to co-ordinate with State Governments to remove such infrastructural bottlenecks. The proposal has been sent to planning Commission for consideration.

(c) Presently a proposal for Tirupur is under consideration.

Import Conditions on Seafood

1794. SHRI S. MADHAVAN : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the European Community Countries have issued new import conditions for Indian seafoods ; and

(b) if so, whether Government have taken steps to face this new situation?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE) : (a) The Council of the European Community has issued a directive in July, 1991 laying down conditions and procedures governing import of marine products from third countries including India. This Directive will come into effect on 1st January, 1995 at the end of the transitional period.

(b) Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA) and the Export Inspection Agency (EIA) have supplied detailed information regarding quality requirements of the European Union to the expecting community. A list of Indian processing plants has been transmitted to the European Union as required and their experts invited for assessing inspection and quality procedures in India. A notification has also been issued in November, 1994 under the Export Control Inspection Act requiring compliance by the industry to standards prescribed in the EC directive.

मध्य प्रदेश से प्राप्त लौह-अयस्क का निर्यात

1795. **श्री अजीत जोगी** : क्या **वाणिज्य** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान प्रति वर्ष मध्य प्रदेश से लौह-अयस्क की कितनी मात्रा प्राप्त करके निर्यात की गई ;

(ख) क्या उक्त अवधि के दौरान लौह-अयस्क की अधिप्राप्ति और निर्यात में तीव्रता से गिरावट आयी है ;

(ग) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं; और

(घ) सरकार ने लौह-अयस्क के निर्यात में वृद्धि करने के लिए क्या कदम उठाए हैं ?

वाणिज्य मंत्री (श्री प्रणव मुखर्जी) : (क) पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान मध्य प्रदेश से प्राप्त किए गए और निर्यात किए गए लौह-अयस्क की मात्रा निम्नानुसार रही :—

(मात्रा : लाख मी० टन)

वर्ष	निर्यात हेतु मध्य प्रदेश से प्राप्ति	विजागपत्तन के जरिए मध्य प्रदेश मूल के लौह-अयस्क का निर्यात
1991-92	52.44	50.44
1992-93	43.14	39.55
1993-94	43.23	41.58

(ख) से (घ) मध्य प्रदेश मूल के लौह-अयस्क की प्राप्ति तथा निर्यात में गिरावट मूल रूप से विजाग स्टील प्लाट तथा स्पंज/कच्चे लोहे के उत्पादकों की अधिक मांग के फलस्वरूप निर्यात हेतु बैलाडीला अयस्क की कम बेशी उपलब्धता के कारण आयी ।

Period for Initiating Anti-Dumping Investigations

1796. SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether India has cut short the period for initiating anti-dumping investigations and pronouncement of the final order ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) whether it is a fact that in most anti-dumping cases, Indian industry is either not well-versed with the rules and regulations or submit incomplete information ;

(d) if so, how Government propose to overcome this ;

(e) whether Government have, at any stage, considered the repercussions of anti-dumping measures on the domestic producers as well as importers ; and

(f) if so, the outcome thereof ?